

SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA

Naples, to plead with her face to face. She reminds her, «< my mother and my daughter," of her old promise to aid the Crusade, and warns her that Urban, if she perseveres in opposing him, will pronounce sentence of deprivation against her as a heretic.¹ To Charles she writes at some length, with her usual conviction that it is self-love alone that is taking away from man the divine light and preventing him from discerning where the truth lies. She gives her usual statement of the Roman case, adding that he would find the "servants of God" unanimous for Urban, and that God certainly would not suffer His servants to walk in darkness. She implores the King to appeal to the theologians of the University of Paris, "for you have there the fountain of science, which I fear you will lose, if you continue this conduct," and not to be led away by his affliction for his own country.² Nevertheless, in this same month, Charles practically ordered the University to declare for Clement, and obtained what professed to be an unanimous decision of all the faculties and all the nations composing it. In reality, the faculty of theology was divided, a large portion of the doctors, in spite of persecution, continuing in their adherence to Urban.⁸

Alarmed at the result of the battle of Marino, Clement decided to seek the protection of the Queen of Naples, On May 9, with Cardinal Lagier, Cardinal Flandrin, and his new Cardinal of Cosenza, he embarked at Gaeta, where the people received him with scarcely veiled hostility, and, with a fleet of six galleys and one galliot, he arrived at Naples on the following day. In spite of Giovanna and her court, the populace of Naples and not a few of the nobles believed in Urban; Bernard Rodhez, the

¹ Letter 348 (3 12).

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